GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:313
ANSWERED ON:16.08.2005
SURVEY CONDUCTED BY NNM
Dhanaraju Dr. K.

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any survey has been conducted by the National Nutrition Mission to assess the nutritional deficiencies such as underweight, anaemia etc. amongst the school going children particularly students of Kendriya Vidyalayas and Navodaya Vidyalaya;

(b) if so, the details of the findings; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to remove such deficiencies?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH)

(a),(b)&(c) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a),(b) & (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 313 FOR 16.8.2005 REGARDING SURVEY CONDUCTED BY NNM BY DR. K. DHANARAJU

(a) No, Sir.

(b) The Question does not arise.

(c) To improve the nutritional status of the school going children, the Government is implementing the Mid Day Meal Scheme. For adolescent girls, Kishori Shakti Yojana is being implemented in 2000 blocks in the country at present, under which, inter alia, nutrition and health education is also provided. The Government has, recently, taken a decision to expand this scheme to all the Rural Development Blocks in the country. Besides, Nutrition Programme for Adolescent Girls (NPAG) is also being implemented in 51 backward districts of the country at present. Under NPAG 6 kg of wheat/rice is provided to underweight adolescent girls. These two scheme are not confined to school going children only.